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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 29, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicants file herewith a Petition for a two (2) Month Extension of Time. With the extension, these documents are due on or before February 28, 2007.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-3431, Ref. No. 346715-0568. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent,

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If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-3431, Ref. No. 346715-0568.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: